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We have audited accordance with Financial Stateme	the S	tatements	oft	he Govern	mental Accou	unting Sta	andards Board	(GASB) and t	the Uniform	Repo	
We affirm that:											
We have com	plied	with the B	ulletii	n for the Au	idits of Local (Units of G	ovemment in Mi	cnigan as revis	sed.		
We are certific	ed pu	olic accou	ntant	s registered	to practice in	n Michigan	1.				
We further affirm to comments and re-		-		esponses h	ave been disc	closed in t	he financial state	ements, includ	ing the note	s, or ir	the report of
You must check th	е арр	licable bo	x for e	each item b	elow.						
Yes ✓ No	1.	Certain c	ompo	onent units/	funds/agencie	es of the lo	ocal unit are exc	luded from the	financial st	ateme	ents.
∐Yes 🔽 No	2.	There are 275 of 19		cumulated o	deficits in one	or more	of this unit's un	reserved fund	balances/re	etained	d earnings (P.A
Yes ✓ No	3.	There are		tances of r	non-compliand	ce with th	e Uniform Acco	ounting and B	udgeting Ad	t (P.A	. 2 of 1968, a
Yes ✓ No	Yes No 4. The local unit has violated the conditions of either an order issued under the Municipal Finance Act or it requirements, or an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act.						nance Act or it				
Yes ✓ No	5.	 The local unit holds deposits/investments which do not comply with statutory requirements. (P.A. 20 of 1943, as amended [MCL 129.91], or P.A. 55 of 1982, as amended [MCL 38.1132]). 									
Yes ✓ No	6.	The local	unit l	has been d	elinquent in di	istributing	tax revenues th	at were collect	ed for anoth	er tax	ring unit.
∐Yes √ No	The local unit has violated the Constitutional requirement (Article 9, Section 24) to fund current year earn Yes No 7. pension benefits (normal costs) in the current year. If the plan is more than 100% funded and the overfundic credits are more than the normal cost requirement, no contributions are due (paid during the year).						the overfunding				
Yes V No 8. The local unit uses credit cards and has not adopted an applicable policy as required by P.A. 266 of 19 (MCL 129.241).						A. 266 of 199					
Yes ✓ No	9.	The local	unit l	has not ado	pted an inves	tment pol	icy as required b	y P.A. 196 of	1997 (MCL	129.95	5).
We have enclose	d the	following	j:					Enclosed	To Be Forward		Not Required
The letter of comm	nents	and recon	nmen	dations.				✓			
Reports on individ	ual fe	deral finar	ncial a	assistance p	programs (pro	gram aud	lits).				✓
Single Audit Repo	rts (A	SLGU).									✓
Certified Public Account	-		SCH		& THOMAS	, P.C.					
Street Address							City		State MI	ZIP. 486	03
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

October 10, 2005

To the Board of Education Arenac Eastern School District Twining, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of Arenac Eastern School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Arenac Eastern School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the Arenac Eastern School District as of June 30, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

To the Board of Education Arenac Eastern School District Page Two

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 10, 2005, on our consideration of Arenac Eastern School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Certified Public Accountants

This section of the annual financial report presents management's discussion and analysis of Arenac Eastern School District's performance during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005. Please read this along with the financial statements that follow for a comprehensive understanding of the financial position of the School District.

Annual Report

The annual report consists of our Management's Discussion and Analysis, a series of financial statements, notes to those statements, and supplemental information. The financial statements are divided into two sections. The District-Wide Financial Statements (Government-Wide Financial Statements) provide information about the activities of the School District as a whole. They present a year-end aggregate view and a longer-term view of the District's finances. All funds and capital assets are combined. The Fund Financial Statements (Governmental Fund Statements) provide more detail showing the year's activity by fund. They also show the amount available to finance future programs. Fund Statements do not include long-term items such as capital assets or long-term debt.

District-Wide Financial Statements

The District-Wide Financial Statements appear first in the financial statements. They present information on the School District as a whole. They show net assets and a statement of activities for the year. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, similar to the accounting used by most private sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Net assets, the difference between assets and liabilities, are one way of measuring the financial health of the School District. In the statement of activities, the revenues less the expenses result in an increase or decrease in the net assets. Increases or decreases in net assets, over time, affect the financial health of the District. However, the goal of the School District is to provide quality education and a safe environment, not to make a profit.

The statement of activities covers all of the School District's services, including instruction, supporting services, community services, athletics, and food services. Property taxes, unrestricted State Aid, and State and Federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The Fund Financial Statements provide detailed information on a fund level instead of the School District as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. Many of the other funds are created to help control and manage money for a particular purpose or to meet legal responsibilities for certain taxes, grants, and other money. The governmental funds of the School District focus on showing how money flows into and out of funds and the balances left at year-end. They provide a detailed, short-term view of the operations and services of the School District. This helps determine whether more or fewer financial resources are available for future programs. An accounting method called modified accrual accounting is used in fund accounting. This method measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash.

The relationship between governmental activities (District-Wide Financial Statements) and governmental fund activities (Fund Financial Statements) will be reconciled later in the annual report.

Agency and Trust Accounts

The School District acts as an agent for various student activity funds. These net assets are reported in separate statements. We exclude these net assets from the School District's other financial statement because we cannot use these assets to finance our operations. The School District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purpose.

Summary of District-Wide Financial Statement-Analysis of Overall Financial Position and Results of Operations

Table 1 provides a summary of our net assets as of June 30, 2005 and 2004. They represent the School District as a whole.

Assets	2005	2004
Current and other assets Capital assets -	\$ 1,297,868	\$ 2,914,876
Net of accumulated depreciation	3,399,295	2,173,251
Total assets	4,697,163	5,088,127
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	571,960	551,004
Long-term liabilities	2,762,422	2,839,705
Total liabilities	3,334,382	3,390,709
Net assets		
Invested in capital assets -		
net of related debt	599,035	(707,760)
Restricted for debt service	94,814	70,741
Restricted for capital projects	153,188	1,605,814
Unrestricted & undesignated	515,744	728,623
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,362,781	\$ 1,697,418

The School District's net assets were \$1,362,781 as of June 30, 2005. Capital assets, net of related debt, totaled \$599,035. This represents the original cost, less depreciation of the School District's capital assets, less long-term debt, related to capital assets. Restricted net assets of \$248,002 are reported separately to show legal constraints from debt covenants and enabling legislation that limit the School District's ability to use those net assets for day-to-day operations. The remaining amount of net assets was unrestricted. The \$515,744 in unrestricted net assets of government activities represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations. The unrestricted net asset balance is used for working capital and cash flow needs as well as to provide for future uncertainties. The operating results of the General Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unrestricted net assets from year to year.

The results of this year's operation for the School District as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities, which shows the changes in net assets for fiscal years 2005 and 2004.

ARENAC EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

Summary of District-Wide Financial Statement-Analysis of Overall Financial Position and Results of Operations (continued)

Revenue		2005		2004
Program revenue				
Charges for services	\$	67,874	\$	92,426
Grants and contributions		635,106		645,001
General revenue				
Property taxes		468,717		516,894
State foundation allowance		2,380,473		2,416,022
Other		42,823		34,403
Total revenue	_	3,594,993		3,704,746
Function/Program expenses				
Instruction		2,262,503		2,209,246
Support services		1,129,961		1,175,803
Food services		153,029		147,829
Athletics		70,104		67,554
Interest & misc. expense on long-term debt		86,209		124,988
Depreciation (unallocated)		227,824		227,208
Total expenses		3,929,630		3,952,628
Increase (decrease) in Net Assets	\$	(334,637)	-\$	(247,882)
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As reported in the Statement of Activities, the cost of all of our governmental activities this year was \$3,929,630. Certain activities were partially funded from those who benefited from the programs, \$67,874, or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions, \$635,106. We paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of our governmental activities with \$468,717 in taxes, \$2,380,473 in State Foundation Allowance, and with our other revenues, such as interest and general entitlements.

The School District experienced a decrease in net assets of \$334,637. The assets decreased primarily as a result of ongoing operations in the School District.

As discussed above, the net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the State and the Arenac Eastern School District's taxpayers by each of these functions. Since property taxes for operations and unrestricted State aid constitute the vast majority of School District operating revenue sources, the Board of Education and Administration must annually evaluate the needs of the School District and balance those needs with State-prescribed available unrestricted resources.

School District's Funds

As the School District completed this year, the General fund reported a fund balance of \$656,874, which is a decrease of \$144,749 from last year. The primary reason for this decrease is the use of fund balance to maintain programs. This decrease was not as large as the District had anticipated. Overall, actual General Fund revenue and expenses were within 96% of budgeted amounts.

The Special Revenue fund balance includes Athletic and Food Service. The Athletic fund has remained relatively stable. The Food Service fund reported a fund balance of \$17,755, which is a decrease of \$7,939 from last year. The decrease in the fund balance was the result of increased costs in food purchases, wages, and benefits, as well as, declining enrollment, resulting in fewer meals being served.

The Debt Service fund balance increased to \$90,591. Millage rates are determined annually to ensure that the School District accumulates sufficient funds to pay annual bond issue-related debt service. The fund balance in the Debt Service Fund is reserved since it can only be used to pay debt service obligations.

The Capital Projects fund balance decreased by \$1,452,626 to \$153,188. The construction project was still in progress at the end of the school year. The fund balance in the Capital Projects Fund is reserved for future capital projects.

Budgetary Highlights

The Uniform Budget Act of the State of Michigan requires that the local Board of Education approve the original budget for the upcoming fiscal year prior to June 30, the end of the current fiscal year. Over the course of the year, the District revises its budget to reflect changes in revenues and expenditures. For fiscal year 2004-05 the budget was amended February 2005 and June 2005. A budgetary comparison schedule showing the school district's original budget and final amended budget amounts compared with actual amounts for revenue and expenditures is provided in required supplemental information of these financial statements.

Final Budget vs. Original Budget

The general fund original budget revenues were \$155,057 less than the final budget estimate of \$3,316,103. Changes to the general fund original revenue budget were as follows:

- An increase of Section 31A (At Risk) funds of \$15,000 for school year 2004-05 and \$20,200 carried forward from school year 2003-04.
- An increase of Michigan School Readiness (Preschool) funds of \$23,100 for school year 2004-05 and \$5,700 carried forward from school year 2003-04.
- Addition of federal grant funds carried forward from school year 2003-04:
 Title I \$22,800, Reap \$2,500, Freedom to Learn \$31,750, Title II \$21,600.

The general fund original budget expenditures were \$91,142 less than the final budget estimate of \$3,474,373. The original budget was amended to include the following changes:

- Addition of \$70,300 for Section 31 (At Risk), Michigan School Readiness (Preschool), and Title programs carried forward from school year 2003-04.
- Increased costs for utilities.

Actual vs. Final Budget

The general fund actual revenues were \$141,434 less than the final revenue budget estimate of \$3,316,103. Significant variances are as follows:

- Michigan School Readiness (Preschool) funds of \$17,824 were carried forward to school year 2005-06. This was not reflected in the final revenue budget.
- Section 31A (At Risk) funds of \$50,374 were carried forward to school year 2005-06. This was not reflected in the final revenue budget.
- Title I and II grant funds in the amount of \$64,862 carried forward to school year 2005-06. This was not reflected in the final revenue budget.

The general fund actual expenditures were \$154,955 less than the final expenditure budget projection of \$3,474,373. Significant variances are as follows:

 Michigan School Readiness (Preschool) funds of \$17,824, Section 31A (At Risk) funds of \$50,374, and Title I and II grant funds of \$64,862 were not expended.

Capital Assets

As of June 30, 2005, the School District has \$3,399,295 in capital assets including land improvements, construction in progress, buildings, buses, vehicles, technology, furniture and equipment, less depreciation. This was an increase of \$1,226,044 from the prior year.

The renovation project started at the end of school year 2003-04 is almost completed. The District also had capital asset additions of \$6,167 for the purchase of a floor scrubber and buffer.

The renovation project started at the end of school year 2003-04 will be completed during the 2005-06 school year. No other capital projects have been budgeted.

	2004-2005	2003-2004		
Construction in progress	\$ 1,552,368	\$ 104,667		
Land Improvements	103,400	103,400		
Buildings	2,961,167	2,961,167		
Buses and other vehicles	434,203	434,203		
Technology	404,039	404,039		
Furniture and equipment	678,495	672,328		
Total Capital Assets	6,133,672	4,679,804		
Less accumulated depreciation	2,734,377	2,506,553		
Net Capital Assets	\$ 3,399,295	\$ 2,173,251		

Debt Activity

As of June 30, 2005, the School District had \$2,800,260 in General Obligation Bonds and Durant bonds outstanding versus \$2,940,260 in the previous year. Additional debt includes \$40,287 in compensated absences for vacation and sick pay leave and \$114,375 in retirement incentives.

	2004-2005	2003-2004
Governmental Activities		
Bonds	\$ 2,800,260	\$ 2,940,260
Accrued compensated absences	40,287	39,445
Retirement incentives	114,375	
Totals	\$ 2,954,922	\$ 2,979,705

Economic Conditions Affecting Next Year's Budget

The District's student enrollment has been gradually declining approximately 10 students each year. A preliminary student count for 2005-06 indicates that the enrollment will decrease from the 2004-05 level by approximately 13 students. This will have a direct impact on the revenue the District will receive from the State.

The MPSERS retirement rate will increase to 16.34% on October 1, 2005 from the current rate of 14.87%.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, please contact:

Rocky Aldrich Superintendent Arenac Eastern School District 200 Smalley Street Twining, MI 48766 989 867-4234 **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

		vernmental Activities
Assets	_	
Cash	\$	702,201
Inventories		1,612
Due from other governmental units		581,625
Prepaids		12,430
Capital assets less accumulated depreciation		3,399,295
Total Assets		4,697,163
Liabilities Current liabilities		129,205
Accounts payable		177,688
Accrued expenditures Deferred revenue		72,567
		192,500
Bonds payable, due within one year Retirement incentives, due within one year		22,500
Long-term liabilities		22,000
Bonds payable, due in more than one year		2,607,760
Retirement incentives, due in more than one year		91,875
Compensated absences, due in more than one year		40,287
Total Liabilities		3,334,382
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets net of related debt		599,035
Restricted for debt service		94,814
Restricted for capital projects		153,188
Unrestricted & undesignated		515,744
Total Net Assets	\$	1,362,781

				Governmental Activities	
				Net (Expense)	
		Progra	am Revenues	Revenue and	
		Charges for			
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	and Contributions	Assets	
Instruction	\$ 2,262,503	\$ 950	\$ 515,929	\$ (1,745,624)	
Support services	1,129,961	-	18,599	(1,111,362)	
Food services	153,029	43,908	100,278	(8,843)	
Athletics	70,104	23,016	300	(46,788)	
Interest & misc. expense					
on long-term debt	86,209	-	-	(86,209)	
Depreciation (unallocated)	227,824			(227,824)	
Totals	\$ 3,929,630	\$ 67,874	\$ 635,106	(3,226,650)	
	General revenues Taxes:	:			
		levied for general		223,193	
	, ,	levied for debt ser	vice	245,524	
	State aid - unrestr	icted		2,380,473	
	Interest			10,738	
	Other			32,085	
	Subtotal Gener	ral Revenues		2,892,013	
	Change in Net Ass	sets		(334,637)	
	Net Assets - Begir	nning of Year	1,697,418		
	Net Assets - End	of Year		\$ 1,362,781	

ARENAC EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2005

	General		Food eral Service Athle		thletic	Debt Service		Capital Projects		Totals		
<u>Assets</u>												
Cash	\$	340,997	\$	7,418	\$	8,607	\$	94,814	\$	250,365	\$	702,201
Inventory		-		1,612		-		-		-		1,612
Due from other funds		87,752		13,541		-		-		-		101,293
Due from other governmental units		580,341		1,284		-		-		-		581,625
Prepaid expenditures		12,430									_	12,430
Total Assets	\$	1,021,520	\$	23,855	\$	8,607	\$	94,814	_\$_	250,365	\$	1,399,161
Liabilities and Fund Balance Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds Deferred revenue Accrued expenditures Total Liabilities	\$	106,363 13,542 72,567 172,174 364,646	\$	586 - - 5,514 6,100	\$	258 8,349 - - 8,607	\$	672 3,551 - 4,223	\$	21,326 75,851 - - 97,177	\$	129,205 101,293 72,567 177,688 480,753
Fund Balance												
Reserved for debt retirement		-		-		-		90,591		-		90,591
Reserved for inventories		-		1,612		-		-		-		1,612
Undesignated		656,874		16,143	_			-		153,188	_	826,205
Total Fund Balance		656,874		17,755		-		90,591		153,188		918,408
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	1,021,520	\$	23,855	\$	8,607	\$	94,814	\$	250,365	\$	1,399,161

ARENAC EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2005

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 918,408
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the funds. The cost of the capital assets is Accumulated depreciation is	6,133,672 (2,734,377)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds: Bonds payable Compensated absences Retirement incentives	(2,800,260) (40,287) (114,375)
Total Net Assets - Governmental Activities (District Wide)	\$ 1,362,781

ARENAC EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	Conoral	Food	Athletic	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals
Revenue	General	Service	Auseuc	Service	Frojects	Totals
Revenue	\$ 259,673	\$ 44,812	\$ 24,622	\$ 246,058	\$ 4,553	\$ 579,718
Local	2,654,933	6,154	Ψ 24,022	Ψ 240,000	4,000	2,661,087
State			_	-		318,099
Federal	223,975	94,124	-	-	_	36,088
Other	36,088	145,000	24,622	246,058	4,553	3,594,992
Total Revenue	3,174,669	145,090	24,022	240,036	4,000	3,034,332
Expenditures						
Instruction						
Basic programs	1,652,297	-	-	-	-	1,652,297
Added needs	494,989	-	-	-	-	494,989
Support services						
Pupil	80,915	_	-	-	-	80,915
Instructional staff	75,798	_	-	-	-	75,798
General administration	183,459	-	-	-	-	183,459
School administration	262,733	-	-	-	-	262,733
Business	44,973		-	-	-	44,973
Operation and maintenance	342,277		-	-		342,277
Pupil transportation services	119,490	-	-	-	-	119,490
Other	17,005	-	-	-	9,478	26,483
Capital Outlay	-	-	_	-	1,447,701	1,447,701
Debt Service	-	-	_	226,208		226,208
Food services	-	153,029	-	-	-	153,029
Athletic	-	-	70,104	_		70,104
Total Expenditures	3,273,936	153,029	70,104	226,208	1,457,179	5,180,456
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues	400.00	(71 000)	(45 400)	10.050	(4.450.000)	(4 505 404)
Over Expenditures	(99,267)	(7,939)	(45,482)	19,850	(1,452,626)	(1,585,464)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Operating transfers in	-	-	45,482		-	45,482
Operating transfers out	(45,482)	-	-			(45,482)
Total Other Financing						
Sources (Uses)	(45,482)	-	45,482	-		
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Net Change in Fund Balances	(144,749)	(7,939)	-	19,850	(1,452,626)	(1,585,464)
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year	801,623	25,694	-	70,741	1,605,814	2,503,872
Fund Balances - End of Year	\$ 656,874	\$ 17,755	\$ -	\$ 90,591	\$ 153,188	\$ 918,408

ARENAC EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ (1,585,464)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures; in the statement of activities, these costs are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.	
Depreciation expense Capital outlay	(227,824) 1,453,868
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction has any effect on net assets. Repayment of bond principal Retirement incentives	140,000 (135,000)
In the statement of activities, certain expenses (retirement incentives, compensated absences) are measured by the amounts earned during the year. The governmental funds measure the financial resources used (paid). This year, the amount of these items paid exceeded the amounts earned.	
Compensated absences	(842)
Retirement incentives	20,625
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities (District Wide)	\$ (334,637)

ARENAC EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2005

Agency Funds

Total Assets	\$	
	Ψ	53,904
Liabilities Due to student organizations Total Liabilities	\$	53,904 53,904

NOTE 1-Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Arenac Eastern School District (the "School District") operates under an elected Board of Education and provides educational services to approximately 395 students.

A. Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with criteria established by the GASB for determining the various governmental organizations to be included in the reporting entity. These criteria include significant operational and financial relationships that determine which of the governmental organizations are a part of the School District's reporting entity, and which organizations are legally separate component units of the School District. Based on the application of the criteria, the School District does not contain any component units.

B. District-Wide Statements

The District-Wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Changes in Net Assets) report information on all of the activities of the primary government. The purpose of these statements is to distinguish between activities that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. All the District's government wide activities are considered to be governmental activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenue includes (1) charges to students or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function, and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes, intergovernmental payments, and other items not included as program revenues are reported instead as general revenue.

The District-Wide statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The District-Wide approach is focused more on the sustainability of the School District as an entity and the change in the District's net assets from the current year's activities.

NOTE 1--Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

C. Fund Financial Statements

The accounts of the School District are organized on a fund basis. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations.

The following fund types are used by the School District:

Governmental Funds

The governmental fund statements are prepared using the current resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. The fund approach is focused on the currently available resources and changes in the currently available resources of the District.

General Fund is the general operating fund of the School District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The Food Service and Athletic funds are special revenue funds.

<u>Debt Service Funds</u> are used to account for the accumulation of funds for the periodic payment of principal and interest on general long-term debt.

<u>Capital Project Funds</u> are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support School District programs.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds. The School District has opted to display information for all funds without regard to the criteria for determination of major funds. The School District's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used for activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated in the District-Wide statements.

NOTE 1--Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Accounting basis relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Full Accrual

The full accrual basis of accounting requires recognition of revenues when earned and expenses when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants, categorical aid, and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Modified Accrual

The modified accrual basis recognizes revenues when they are measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are still recognized when incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and severance pay, are recorded only when payment is due.

E. Financial Statement Amounts

Cash

Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits.

Receivables

Receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end but not yet received. In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds".

Inventories

Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for the District's use and are carried at cost using the first-in, first-out method.

NOTE 1--Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

E. Financial Statement Amounts (continued)

Prepaid

Prepaid amounts consist of payments for which the District will have a future benefit and will be used up at a date beyond the current year-end.

Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets purchased or acquired are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. The School District does not possess infrastructure type assets. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings 50 years
Land improvements 20 years
Buses and other vehicles 8 years
Technology 5 years
Furniture and equipment 10-20 years

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable consist of items from which the District benefited during the current fiscal year but has not yet paid.

Accrued Expenditures

Accrued liabilities consist of amounts due on employee's contracts that are due and payable for the current fiscal year and items related to salaries payable, specifically the District's portion of FICA and Medicare taxes and retirement contributions.

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue represents amounts for which the District has received or is due to receive but has not yet earned. Deferred revenue is usually caused by the receipt of certain categorical funds that are not expended by the close of the fiscal year. The revenues are deferred until the proceeds have been fully expensed/expended.

NOTE 1--Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

E. Financial Statement Amounts (continued)

Long-Term Liabilities

Bonds payable are the result of long-term obligations issued for the purpose of making capital purchases and improvements or the refinancing of previously issued obligations. Compensated absences represent accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave as earned by employees. The accumulated benefit is payable to the employee upon termination of employment. The District has concluded that estimating a current portion of compensated absences would be impossible; therefore, no portion is recorded as such. Retirement incentives are amounts due to former employees as negotiated at retirement.

Inter-fund Activity

Inter-fund activity is reported as reimbursements or transfers. Reimbursements are reported as inter-fund receivables and payables and are eliminated upon consolidation. Transfers are eliminated upon consolidation.

NOTE 2--Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

The School District is required to adopt an annual budget before the beginning of the fiscal year for the General Fund, Food Service Fund, and the Athletic Fund. The accounting basis of the budgets is the modified accrual method. Following are the procedures used in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- The District's Superintendent submits to the Board of Education a proposed budget by June 30 of each year. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means to finance them.
- A public hearing is conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- Any revisions that alter functional expenditure lines of any fund must be approved by the Board of Education.
- Budgeted amounts shown in the supplemental information reflect amendments through June 30.
- Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

NOTE 2--Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability (continued)

The budgetary comparison presents information by fund and function. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the function level. State law requires the School District to have its budget in place by June 30. Expenditures in excess of amounts budgeted are a violation of Michigan law. State law permits districts to amend their budgets during the year. Budget variances are illustrated in the required supplemental information.

NOTE 3--Deposits and Investments

The School District is authorized, by the State of Michigan, to deposit its funds in banks, savings and loan associations, or credit unions having a principal office in Michigan.

The District is also authorized to invest in the following:

- a. Direct bonds and obligations of the U.S. or agency or instrumentality,
- b. CDs, savings accounts with banks, savings and loan associations, or credit unions which are insured with the applicable federal agency,
- c. Commercial paper within three highest rate classifications by at least two rating services, maturing not later than 270 days,
- d. U.S. or agency repurchase agreements,
- e. Banker's acceptance of U.S. banks,
- f. Mutual funds investments which local unit can make directly.

All cash is held by federally insured financial institutions. The FDIC insures up to \$100,000 in demand deposits; however, separately named accounts of a governmental entity in a single financial institution may not necessarily be treated as a separate deposit for the \$100,000 limitation.

A summary of bank cash is as follows:

				Uninsured
Cash	Total	Insured	Collateralized	Uncollateralized
General Fund	\$ 493,866	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 393,866
Food Service	7,417	-	-	7,417
Athletic	10,069	-	-	10,069
Debt Service	94,812	5,349	-	89,463
Capital Projects	250,365	-		250,365
Total	\$ 856,529	\$ 105,349	\$ -	\$ 751,180

The investment policy of the District is to maximize the returns on the District's excess cash balances consistent with safety of those monies and with the desired liquidity of the investments.

NOTE 4--Capital Assets and Accumulated Depreciation

Capital asset activity of the School District was as follows:

Capital asset activity of the Ci	Balance July 1, 2004	Additions	Disposals	Balance June 30, 2005
Capital assets not subject to depreciation	0 404.667	\$ 1,447,701	\$ -	\$ 1,552,368
Construction in progress	\$ 104,667 104,667	1,447,701	Ψ	1,552,368
Subtotal	104,007	1,447,701		1,002,000
Capital assets subject to depreciation				
Land Improvements	103,400		-	103,400
Buildings	2,961,167	-	-	2,961,167
Buses and other vehicles	434,203	-	-	434,203
Technology	404,039	-	-	404,039
Furniture and equipment	672,328	6,167		678,495
Subtotal	4,575,137	6,167		4,581,304
Total Capital Assets	4,679,804	1,453,868	-	6,133,672
Accumulated depreciation				
Land Improvements	79,340	5,170	-	84,510
Buildings	1,353,672	60,111	-	1,413,783
Buses and other vehicles	351,950	54,275	-	406,225
Technology	226,340	72,961	-	299,301
Furniture and equipment	495,251	35,307		530,558
Total Accumulated Depreciation	2,506,553	227,824	-	2,734,377
Total Net Capital Assets	\$ 2,173,251	\$ 1,226,044	\$ -	\$ 3,399,295

Depreciation expense was not charged to activity as the District considers its capital assets to impact multiple activities and allocation is not practical.

NOTE 5--Inter-fund - Receivables, Payables, and Transfers

The makeup of inter-fund balances and transfers is as follows:

Outgoing Transfer General Fund Total	\$ 45,482 45,482	Incoming Transfer Athletic Total	\$ 45,482 45,482
Due From Food Service General Fund General Fund General Fund Total	\$ 13,542 8,349 3,551 75,851 101,293	Due To General Fund Athletic Debt Service Capital Projects Total	\$ 13,542 8,349 3,551 75,851 101,293

The transfer from the General Fund to the Food Service fund was to subsidize the Athletic Program.

NOTE 6--Long-Term Debt

The School District issues bonds, notes, and other contractual commitments to provide for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities and the acquisition of certain equipment. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the District. Other long-term debts include compensated absences and retirement incentives.

Long-term debt activity is summarized as follows:

		Balance uly 1, 2004		Additions	Re	tirements	Ju	Balance ne 30, 2005		Current Portion
Governmental Activities	•	05.000	e		s		s	25.260	\$	_
Durant Bonds Compensated Absences	\$	25,260 39,445	\$	842	Ψ	-	•	40,287	Ψ	-
Building and Site Bonds		1,730,000				-		1,730,000		30,000
2004 Refunding Bonds		1,185,000		-		140,000		1,045,000		140,000
Retirement incentives				135,000		20,625		114,375		22,500
Totals	\$	2,979,705	\$	135,842	\$	160,625	\$	2,954,922	\$	192,500

NOTE 6--Long-Term Debt (continued)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the above governmental bonds are as follows:

For Year(s) Ended June 30, 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 thru 2014-15 2015-16thru 2018-19	Principal 171,914 182,004 192,100 197,200 209,447 1,017,595 830,000	93,225 90,794 87,558 83,366 81,604 293,956 93,956	Total 265,139 272,798 279,658 280,566 291,051 1,311,551 923,956			
Totals	\$ 2,800,260	\$ 824,459	\$ 3,624,719			
Governmental Activities General obligation bonds consist of the f	ollowing:					
2004 serial bonds due in annual installme \$140,000 through May 1, 2013; interest a)	\$ 1,045,000			
2004 serial bonds due in annual installments of \$30,000 to \$215,000 through May 1, 2019; interest at 2.20% to 4.55% 1,730,0						
1998 serial bonds due in annual installm \$4,053 through May 15, 2013; interest at	ents of \$1,743 to t 8.0%		25,260			
Total Bonded Debt			\$ 2,800,260			

For the year ended June 30, 2005, the total interest paid on bonded debt was \$84,586.

NOTE 7--Durant Bonds

During 1998, the District elected to bond so they could receive half of its Durant settlement. This created a liability which will be reduced each year with an annual state appropriation made for debt service on the bonds. The District has pledged its right to receive these future appropriations as a condition of receiving the bond proceeds. The annual State of Michigan appropriation is the only revenue source for making the annual debt service payment on the bonds. If the Michigan legislature fails to appropriate the funds, the District is under no obligation for payment. For the year ended June 30, 2005, the legislature did not appropriate funds.

NOTE 8--Risk Management

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; error and omission; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District has joined together with other school districts in Michigan to form SET-SEG, a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member school districts. The district pays an annual premium to SET-SEG for its property and liability insurance coverage. The agreement for formation of SET-SEG provides that SET-SEG will be self-sustaining through member premiums.

NOTE 9--Pension Plan

The School District's defined benefit pension plan provides retirement, survivor and disability benefits to its employees. The District participates in the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System (MPSERS), a cost sharing multiple-employer, statewide plan governed by the State of Michigan. Benefit provisions are established by state statute. The MPSERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing the MPSERS Directors, PO Box 30673, Lansing, Michigan 48909 or by calling (517) 322-6235.

Funding Policy

The School District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the current rate is 14.87% of covered payroll. Employees hired before January 1, 1990 contribute 3.9% of their gross pay. Employees hired January 1, 1990 or later contribute between 3% and 4.3%.

The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the State of Michigan. The District's contributions to MPSERS for the current year and the preceding two years were \$278,121, \$264,622, and \$265,162, respectively.

NOTE 10--Reserved Fund Balance

The District has reserved the following amounts in fund balance:

	- 1	Food	Debt	
	s	ervice	Service	Total
Reserved for debt retirement	\$	-	\$ 90,591	\$ 90,591
Reserved for inventories		1,612	_	1,612
Total Reservations	\$	1,612	\$ 90,591	\$ 92,203

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Arenac Eastern School District Budgetary Comparison For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

		General Fund		Special Reve	enue Fun	Special Revenue Funds (Food Service and Athletic)	vice and	Athletic)
	Original	Final		Original		Final	·	
	Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget		Budget	Ž.	Actual
Revenue					٠			
Local	\$ 241,505	\$ 290,002	\$ 259,673	\$ 64,200	s 00	64,500	↔	69,434
State	2,854,346	2,714,669	2,654,933	9,251	51	8,306		6,154
Federal	22,695	277,304	223,975	108,800	00	108,800		94,124
Incoming transfers and other	42,500	34,128	36,088	48,325	25	44,950		45,482
Total Revenues	3,161,046	3,316,103	3,174,669	230,576	 2	226,556		215,194
Expenditures								
Instruction								
Basic programs	1,730,117	1,695,420	1,652,297		,	٠		,
Added needs	528,843	572,801	494,989		,	,		,
Support Services								
Pupil	83,275	81,573	80,915		ı	٠		•
Instructional staff	70,787	95,429	75,798			•		ı
General administration	206,780	191,513	183,459			•		٠
School administration	253,257	266,257	262,733		,	'		•
Business	41,982	49,007	44,973		τ	'		
Operation and maintenance	262,913	335,221	342,277			'		1
Pupil transportation services	152,998	132,548	119,490			1		١
Other	3,954	3,954	17,005			t		•
Food service	•	•	1	160,980	80	157,806		153,029
Athletic activities	•	•	•	71,825	25	68,750		70,104
Outgoing transfers	48,325	50,650	45,482		1	1		1
Total Expenditures	3,383,231	3,474,373	3,319,418	232,805	05	226,556		223,133
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues								
Over Expenditures	(222,185)	(158,270)	(144,749)	(2,229)	29)	•		(7,939)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	801,623		801,623		1	25,694		25,694
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 579,438	\$ 643,353	\$ 656,874	\$ 23,465	92	25,694	છ	17,755

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Arenac Eastern School District Schedules of Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness June 30, 2005

2004 Issue \$1,185,000				
Interest Rate: 1.0 to 3.0%	Annual	Semiannu	ıal	Total
Year Ending	Principal	Interest Pay	ment	Fiscal Year
June 30,	May 1	November 1	May 1	Requirement
2005-06	140,000	11,395	11,395	162,790
2006-07	140,000	10,555	10,555	161,110
2007-08	135,000	9,505	9,505	154,010
2008-09	130,000	8,256	8,256	146,512
2009-10	130,000	6,859	6,859	143,718
2010-11	125,000	5,332	5,331	135,663
2011-12	125,000	3,675	3,675	132,350
2012-13	120,000	1,800	1,800	123,600
Totals	\$ 1,045,000	\$ 57,377 \$	57,376	\$ 1,159,753

2004 Issue \$1,730,000				
Interest Rate: 2.20 to 4.55%	Annual	Sem	iannual	Total
Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Payment	Fiscal Year
June 30,	May 1	November 1	May 1	Requirement
2005-06	30,000	34,786	34,786	99,572
2006-07	40,000	34,456	34,456	108,912
2007-08	55,000	33,936	33,936	122,872
2008-09	65,000	33,139	33,139	131,278
2009-10	70,000	32,115	32,115	134,230
2010-11	85,000	30,925	30,925	146,850
2011-12	90,000	29,395	29,395	148,790
2012-13	105,000	27,708	27,708	160,416
2013-14	175,000	25,660	25,660	226,320
2014-15	185,000	22,116	22,116	229,232
2015-16	195,000	18,278	18,278	231,556
2016-17	205,000	14,134	14,134	233,268
2017-18	215,000	9,675	9,675	234,350
2018-19	215,000	4,891	4,891	224,782
Totals	\$ 1,730,000	\$ 351,214	\$ 351,214	\$ 2,432,428

Arenac Eastern School District Schedules of Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness June 30, 2005

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Interest Rate: 8.0%	Annual	Semian	nual	Total
Year Ending	Principal	Interest Pa	ayment	Fiscal Year
June 30,	May 15	November 15	May 15	Requirement
2005-06	1,914	-	863	2,777
2006-07	2,004	-	772	2,776
2007-08	2,100	-	676	2,776
2008-09	2,200	-	576	2,776
2009-10	9,447	-	3,656	13,103
2010-11	2,415	-	362	2,777
2011-12	2,530	-	247	2,777
2012-13	2,650		126	2,776
Totals	\$ 25,260	\$ -	\$ 7,278	\$ 32,538
Total Bond Indebtness	\$ 2,800,260	\$ 408,591	\$ 415,868	\$ 3,624,719

Arenac Eastern School District Agency Funds Schedule of Activity and Amount Due to Student Groups For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

	Cash Balance July 1, 2004		Cash Receipts		Cash Disbursements		Cash Balance June 30, 2005	
Activity Accounts	_				•	0.045	•	0.000
Annual	\$	7,539	\$	8,836	\$	8,045	\$	8,330
Athletics		(40)				218		(258)
Band		1,155		554		861		848
Baseball		-		5,995		5,960		35
Board of Education		1,313				596		717
Boy's Basketball		-		178		-		178
Business Club		40		-		-		40
Cheerleaders		(86)		3,453		2,702		665
Class of 2004		1,019		-		357		662
Class of 2005		1,895		23,260		24,929		226
Class of 2006		1,748		2,984		2,505		2,227
Class of 2007		400		4,005		2,816		1,589
Class of 2008		-		2,767		1,558		1,209
Community Support		1,654		-		1,595		59
Dance Club		95		300		259		136
Driver's Education		950		-		950		-
Elementary Popcorn		672		-		-		672
Fifth Grade Paper		53		-		-		53
Football		_		7,770		7,436		334
Girl's Basketball		302		2,502		2,088		716
Gifted Program		(437)		437		-		-
Jewelry		9,618		3,098		5,389		7,327
Home Economics		(2)		2		-		_
Juice Machine		9,897		1,282		1,500		9,679
Library		856		(20)				836
National Honor Society		428		147		250		325
Petty Cash		140		420		712		(152)
Playground Equipment		1,585		-		-		1,585
Scholarship		12,075		996		4,246		8,825
Shop		471		85		471		85
Softball		294		5,540		5,610		224
Spanish Club		322		2,771		2,878		215
Speech/Drama		345		2,335		2,010		670
Student Assistance/Teen Institute		1,592		1,176		2,442		326
Student Council		6,218		3,701		4,398		5,521
Totals	\$	62,111	\$	84,574	\$	92,781	\$	53,904
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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

Heather A. Thom
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE
AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING
STANDARDS

October 10, 2005

To the Board of Education Arenac Eastern School District Twining, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities of Arenac Eastern School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise Arenac Eastern School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 10, 2005. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Arenac Eastern School District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operations that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we did issue a letter to management dated October 10, 2005 relating other matters of internal control.

To the Board of Education Arenac Eastern School District Page Two

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Arenac Eastern School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the Board of Education and is not intended and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Certified Public Accountants

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Frederick C. Gardner Giacamo Provenzano James R. Schauman Heather A. Thomas

October 10, 2005

Board of Education Arenac Eastern School District Twining, Michigan 48703

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the School District for the year ended June 30, 2005, we considered its internal control in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

We are pleased to report the issues from the June 30, 2004 audit appear to be resolved. However, during our audit, we became aware of matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency further.

Activity Account Deposit in Transit

While testing cash, we noted the bank reconciliation for the Activity cash account at June 30, 2005 included a deposit in transit in the amount of \$2,201. When we reviewed the July 2005 bank statement we did not find the deposit had cleared the bank. Upon inquiry we found the deposit had not yet been made in the Activity account. The deposit was made in September of 2005.

Good internal controls suggest that deposits should be made in a timely manner. We recommend management implement procedures, if needed; to ensure cash deposits are made in a timely manner.

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Reclassifying Journal Entries

We noted many reclassifying journal entries were made in order to reconcile the accounts in preparation for the audit to begin. In addition, several entries were given to us during fieldwork. We believe in order for the Board to make sound financial decisions and monitor spending according to budgets adopted, they should receive the most accurate information throughout the year as possible. We question the ability to monitor actual expenditures to budgets adopted when so many expenses are reclassified at year-end.

We understand management has been working on procedures to eliminate the need for numerous reclassifying entries at year-end.

We will review the status of these issues during our next audit engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the school district, management, and others within the organization.

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